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SAYDA-GUBA NAVAL MISSILE STORAGE FACILITY, USSR

SUMMARY

KEYHOLE photography of March and June 1964 reveals significant features of the Sayda-Guba Naval Missile Storage Facility which were not visible on photography of February 1964. A fourth drive-in storage building has been added in the outer storage and checkout portion of the

facility, and the three older drive-in buildings can be seen to be earth covered; a second underground entrance, new since August 1962, has been added in the inner section

DESCRIPTION OF FACILITY

The Sayda-Guba Naval Missile Storage Facility, USSR is located on the shore of Guba (Bay of) Sayda, at 69-15-10N

3-21-40E (Figure 1). The facility is part of the Sayda-Guba Submarine Base

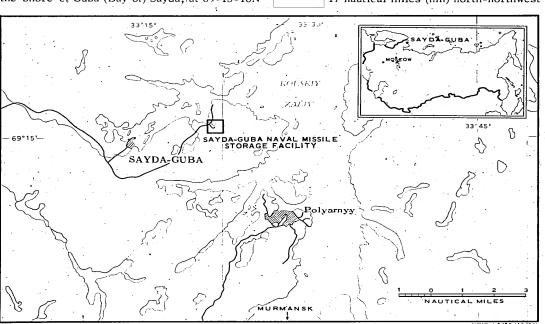


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF SAYDA-GUBA NAVAL MISSILE STORAGE FACILITY, USSR.

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of Murmansk and 2.5 nm east-northeast of the town of Sayda-Guba. As a part of the submarine base, the facility is an example of naval missile storage related to a forward base rather than to a fleet headquarters.

The facility is divided into two sections by a wall within the security fence (Figures 2 and 3). The section west of the walled area is the Storage and Checkout Area, probably for missile assemblies; two buildings related to this

area are located outside the fence.

The submarine base was operational in October 1957, and construction of the missile facili-

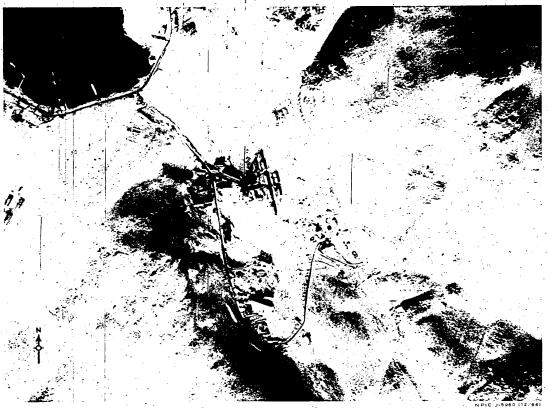


FIGURE 2, NAVAL MISSILE STORAGE FACILITY, MARCH 1964.

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ty began between that date and June 1962. 1/ Expansion of the facility is continuing; a fourth storage building in the Storage and Checkout Area and a second underground entrance

are stored at the facility.

tween August 1962 and June 1964.

Both ballistic missile submarines (SSB) and cruise missile submarines (SSG) are based at the Sayda-Guba Submarine Base. 1/ This indicates that assemblies and warheads for

Dimensions of significant structures at the missile facility are presented in Table 1 which is keyed to Figure 3.

either ballistic or cruise missiles or for both

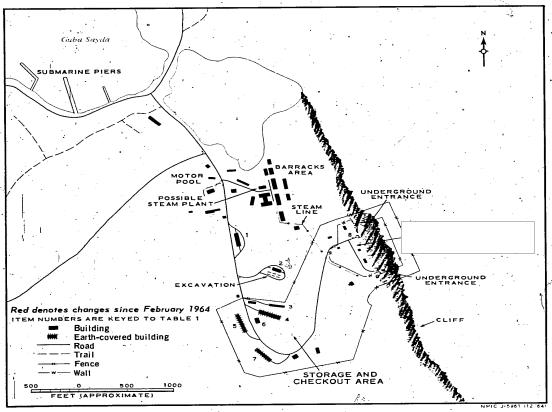


FIGURE 3. LAYOUT OF NAVAL MISSILE STORAGE FACILITY.

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Table 1., Significant Items at Sayda-Guba Naval Missile Storage Facility (Item numbers are keyed to Figure 3)

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Item	Description	Dimensions (ft)
1	Probable drive-through	175 x 40
2	Drive-through bldg	115 x 35
3	Drive-in storage bldg	175 x 25
4	Drive-in storage bldg: earth-covered	255 x 50
5	Drive-in storage bldg: earth-covered	235 x 30
6	Support bldg	- 65 x 40
. 7	Drive-in storage bldg; earth-covered	225 x 25
8	Underground entrance	30 wide
	•	(approx)
9	Underground entrance	30 wide
		(approx)

STORAGE AND CHECKOUT AREA

All the structures in the Storage and Checkout Area are served by an access road

Inside the security fence are four drive-in storage buildings and support and minor structures. Two of the drive-in storage buildings (items 5 and 7, Figure 3) were present in June 1962, a third (item 4) had been built by June 1963, 2 and the fourth (item 3) was added between February and June 1964. The newest

photography reveals that the three older buildings are earth covered; whether or not they were earth covered in 1962 or 1963 cannot be determined. It is probable that the newly built drivein building will also be earth covered.

Two buildings and an excavation are located outside the security fence near the access road. One of these buildings (item 1), which probably is a drive-through structure, is situated on an apron; it was observed on 1962 photography. The other (item 2), a drive-through building first seen in 1963, is located on a loop road. Within this loop road is an excavation which may be a building under construction.

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